

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2032 - SB 2026

March 28, 2022

**SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (015475, 016591):** Authorizes a dentist to administer a vaccine against the human papillomavirus. States that a dentist must receive a minor's parent or legal guardian's consent prior to administering a vaccine to a minor.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 63-5-123 currently authorizes a dentist to administer the COVID-19 vaccination if they have received appropriate training. The proposed legislation adds the human papillomavirus vaccination to what a dentist is authorized to administer, so long as they receive appropriate training.
- Any additional training required by a dentist to administer vaccinations is expected to be privately funded and will not lead to any increase in state or local government expenditures.
- According to Tennessee's Mature Minor Doctrine, healthcare providers may treat minors age 14 or older without a parent or guardian's consent when there is a rebuttable presumption of capacity. Excluding dentists from this doctrine, as related to vaccines, is not expected to result in a significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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